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SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES TIMES ARTICLE ON SECRET STATE DEPARTMENT CABLE

REF: SEOUL 6510

1. TELEGRAM OF CONCERN TO ROKG, SEOUL 9075, WAS RELEASED AS RESULT OF L.A. TIMES FOI REQUEST ON KCIA ACTIVITY IN U.S. DEPARTMENT REVIEWED 47 DOCUMENTS, WITHHELD 12 AND PORTIONS OF 3 OTHERS.

2. SECRET TELEGRAM IN QUESTION WAS RELEASED BY MISTAKE, PROBABLY OVERLOOKED IN INITIAL SCREENING AND THE ERROR NOT NOTICED DURING SUBSEQUENT REVIEW. CLEARLY IT SHOULD HAVE REMAINED CLASSIFIED UNDER SECTION 5(B)(1)
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OF E.O. 11652. WE HAVE CHECKED THE OTHER DOCUMENTS RELEASED AND DETERMINED THAT OTHER REFERENCES TO CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH ROKG OFFICIALS WERE NOT RELEASED. DOCUMENTS RELEASED WERE FOR MOST PART REPORTS OF INVESTIGATIONS IN U.S., CONGRESSIONAL LETTERS AND PRESS GUIDANCE.

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3. WE ARE APOLOGIZING TO ROK EMBASSY HERE AND EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO CONVEY APOLOGIES TO FOREIGN MINISTER WITH ASSURANCES THAT THIS IS NOT HARBINGER OF THINGS TO COME.

4. WE INTEND TO INFORM PRESS THAT ROKG HAS PROTESTED RELEASE, THAT WE HAVE LOOKED INTO MATTER AND DETERMINED THAT RELEASE WAS THE RESULT OF ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR, THAT PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS ARE EXEMPT FROM DECLASSIFICATION AND THAT WE HAVE APOLOGIZED TO ROKG FOR INADVERTENT BREACH OF DIPLOMATIC PRACTICE. CHRISTOPHER

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